

**MAKING CHRIST A REALITY IN THE COMMUNITY IN WHICH WE LIVE**

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**MASS SCHEDULE:**

**Saturday:** 5:30 PM

**Sunday:** 7:00 AM, 8:30 AM,  
10:00 AM, 11:30 AM

**Weekdays:** 8:00 AM

**Saturdays:** 8:00 AM

**Holy Days:** 5:30 PM Vigil  
8:00 AM, 10:00 AM, 7:00 PM

**CONFESSIONS: Saturdays:** 4:00 PM to 5:00 PM

**MASS FOR SHUT-INS:**

TV - Sunday, 5:30 a.m. WPVI Channel 6,  
Radio - Sunday, 9:00 a.m. 89.3 FM

**BAPTISMS:** Parents should make arrangements with the Pastor at least one month before the date wanted. Baptism is celebrated on the **FIRST** and **THIRD** Sundays of the month at 12:30 PM. Preparation is held on the **SECOND TUESDAY** of each month, 7:30 PM, in Room 18 of the Church Building. Godparents must be practicing the faith and present a Letter of Eligibility from their parish. No date can be set for baptism until parents have fulfilled these responsibilities.

**MATRIMONY:** To set a date for a wedding, couples must make an appointment at the Rectory at least 6 months prior to the wedding date. Weddings can be scheduled for most Saturdays, at 12:00 Noon or 2:00 PM, or on Friday afternoons.

**SICK CALLS:** Phone the Rectory,  
215-672-3020.

**REGISTRATION:** All Catholics who live within the parish boundaries should register. Boundaries: South of Street Road from Lower State Rd., to Norristown Rd., to County Line, to Blair Mill Rd., to Moreland Rd., to Maple Ave., to Horsham Rd., to Limekiln Pike, to Lower State Rd. & back to Street Road.

If you are not registered, we cannot serve you in ways which require us to know you. Please call the Rectory (215-672-3020.) We will welcome you as part of our community of faith.

**PARISH ACTIVITIES:** Catholic Youth Organization, CCD School of Religion, Choir (Adult and Children's), Home & School Association, Men's Group, Miraculous Medal Novena and Rosary, Respect Life Committee, Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, Senior Citizens, and Women's Group. (Notices for these groups are posted inside this bulletin.)

**A Note from the Pastor**



My Dear Parishioners,

It's that time of year again when you will soon be receiving our Annual Stewardship Appeal letter. I ask you to give your donation serious thought and prayer. This is an important appeal for the running of your parish. All of the money raised as part of this appeal stays here at St. Joseph parish and helps to keep the parish operating. There is no way that St. Joseph Parish could survive simply on the weekly contributions collected. We depend on your generosity throughout the year, but especially during this important outreach. Please believe me that your generosity is sincerely appreciated. If you are not able to make the requested contribution, please make whatever donation that you feel is appropriate and supportive of your parish and know that it does make a difference. I also want to remind you that the census update form is included with this appeal. Please take the time to fill out the form so that our records can be as current as possible. This year we have added a box so that if your information is unchanged, you can simply check the box with no need to fill out the entire census sheet. But please only use this option if you are certain that we have up to date information for you and your household. If a child is away at college, but he/she still resides at home, please be sure to include them. If they have moved out of the house, please let us know that too.

This Wednesday we will have our Night of Inquiry for those interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith or considering entering it. Now is the time to register for this RCIA program so if you or someone you know is considering it, please contact the rectory at 215-672-3020 and let us know you plan on attending.

We have been contacted by the Archdiocese and the US Catholic Bishops Conference about asking for your support for the Expansion of Education Tax Credit Program. Pennsylvania lawmakers have returned to Harrisburg to continue debating the 2017-18 state budget. While this remains an uncertain time, it is also an important time to show support for an expansion of the Educational Improvement Tax Credit (EITC) program.

It has been acclaimed as one of the best educational programs Pennsylvania offers to students in both public and private schools, and as stands, the House has a chance to vote on an EITC increase. We need your help to urge and remind all lawmakers to invest in the success and support of the expansion of the EITC program by voting YES on a state budget that includes an increase. Here is a link to the Voter Voice website where you can easily send an email to ask for support: <http://www.pacatholic.org/resources/voter-voice>. Additionally, here is a link for people to determine who their legislators are, if needed.

<http://www.legis.state.pa.us/cfdocs/legis/home/findyourlegislator/>. Thank you for your support of Catholic Education.

God Bless you, Fr. Bordonaro



<b>Saturday</b>	<u>September 23, 2017</u>	5:30pm	People of the Parish
<b>Sunday</b>	<u>September 24, 2017</u>	7:00am	Anthony Maggeo
		8:30am	Linda Generale
		10:00am	Betty Duffy
		11:30am	Dorothy Okpych
<b>Monday</b>		8:00am	Milton J. McGuckin
<b>Tuesday</b>		8:00am	Ginny Kraft
<b>Wednesday</b>		8:00am	Pat & Mike McCloskey, 60 <sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary
<b>Thursday</b>		8:00am	Tom Mallozzi
<b>Friday</b>		8:00am	Sylvia Fiumara
<b>Saturday</b>		8:00am	Amy Sichler
<b>Saturday</b>	<u>September 30, 2017</u>	5:30pm	James Cunningham
<b>Sunday</b>	<u>October 1, 2017</u>	7:00am	People of the Parish
		8:30am	Ray Generale
		10:00am	Michael Dollarton
		11:30am	Gerald Rigney

**Please Pray For**



**Those who are ill:** Kim Bell, Gary Cain, Alicia Cruz, Bill Gaida, Bill Gardner, Bob Hagan, Mike Jones, Paul Moran Kilbride, Dave McKay, Wayne Mehlman, Ann Scanlon, Dorothy Smedley, Lorraine Smith and Robert Smith.

**Weekly Sunday Collection**

09/03/17: \$ 9,221.00

09/04/16: \$ 8,335.00



**This Week in Our Parish**

**Monday, September 25, 2017**

- \* Adoration – All Day – Church
- \* Senior Citizens Meeting – 11 a.m. – Church Hall
- \* Rosary – 7:30 p.m. – Church

**Wednesday, September 27, 2017**

- \* RCIA Night of Inquiry – 7 p.m. – Room 18

**Thursday, September 28, 2017**

- \* Children's Choir Practice – 4:30 p.m. – Church
- \* BSA Troop 137 – 7:00 p.m. – Rectory Basement
- \* Adult's Choir Practice – 7:30 p.m. - Church

## Readings for the Week

**Monday:** Ezr 1:1-6; Ps 126:1b-6; Lk 8:16-18  
**Tuesday:** Ezr 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20; Ps 122:1-5;  
 Lk 8:19-21  
**Wednesday:** Ezr 9:5-9; Tb:13:2, 3-4abefghn, 7-8;  
 Lk 9:1-6  
**Thursday:** Hg 1:1-8; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b; Lk 9:7-9  
**Friday:** Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12a;  
 Ps 138:1-5; Jn 1:47-51  
**Saturday:** Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a; Jer 31:10-12ab, 13;  
 Lk 9:43b-45  
**Sunday:** Ez 18:25-28; Ps 25:4-9; Phil 2:1-11 [1-5];  
 Mt 21:28-32

## Baby Bottle Drive

The Respect Life Committee will have bottles available next weekend at the church exits. Please take one home, fill with change, bills or a check (made payable to the Pro-Life Union) and return 10-28/29.

### RCIA or Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults.

This is the special program where those who are interested in becoming Catholic, whether they have never been baptized or were raised in another faith, can learn more about our faith and receive the sacraments to become a Catholic. There will be more information coming, but if you know someone interested, please have them contact the rectory about attending our **Night of Inquiry / Wednesday, September 27<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. in classroom 18.** No commitment is necessary; it is just to find out what is involved.

## New Members Welcome!



The Music Ministry of St. Joseph Church is looking for new members for the **Adult and Children Choirs**. Both rehearse in the choir loft on Thursdays. The children rehearse from **4:30 to 5:45 p.m.**, and the adults from **7:30 to 9:30 p.m.** Both lead the Assembly in song at one or two Sunday masses each month and at special masses. Please contact Maria Lennon at 215-896-9484 or email her at mariaalennon@comcast.net for more details, or come to one of our rehearsals.

## Bulletin Submittals



Please submit your bulletin requests to the Rectory. Requests may be emailed to sjc18976@verizon.net or dropped off at the Rectory Monday-Friday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. We welcome your bulletin requests; however, all bulletin requests are subject to Pastor's approval and space availability.

## Monthly Food Drive



Our next food collection is scheduled for the weekend of October 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>. Non-perishables only. Canned food items in greatest need are: **beef stew, tuna fish, fruit, vegetables, pasta, soups and pork & beans.**

## 40 Days for Life



St. Joseph will be participating once again in the national **40 DAYS FOR LIFE PRAYER CAMPAIGN** which will be held from September 27 through November 5. Our parish will send parishioners to pray from 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. on Tues., Oct., 10<sup>th</sup> at the local abortion clinic, Planned Parenthood, 610 Louis Dr., Warminster. Please consider scheduling one hour to pray for the babies scheduled for abortion, for their mothers, and for the conversion of clinic workers. To sign up, please contact Libby McGinn at 215-343-0203. In addition to prayer, all are encouraged to fast during the 40 days for an end to abortion. This fast may be from anything – a favorite TV show, computer, one special food. Fasting is very effective in bringing about conversion of hearts for those involved in the abortion industry.

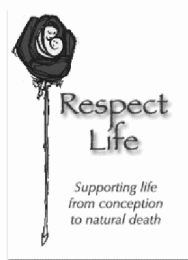
## St. Joseph Men's Group

*Presents* **THE BIBLE TIMELINE**, narrated by Jeff Cavins. The purpose of the Great Adventure Bible Timeline Seminar is to help lay down the "train tracks," to set your route through the Bible and get you prepared for a lifetime journey of discovering God in the Scriptures. An easy and enjoyable way to read and understand the Bible

## Open to all Men of the Parish

Beginning, Mon., Oct. 2<sup>nd</sup>  
 Weekly for 23 weeks – Approx. 1 ½ hr. session  
 Room 18 (in the church) – 8:00 P.M.  
 To reserve your spot for this Bible Series please contact:  
 Tom Molz (215) 801-9158, tmolz2373@gmail.com or  
 Bob Dzedzic (215) 918-1625, rdzie73960@aol.com.

## Respect Life Committee



Sun., Oct. 1<sup>st</sup> is National Respect Life Sunday. Prayer Life Chains will be formed: (2-3 p.m.) Bucks County from Nativity of Our Lord Church on Street Road to Planned Parenthood on Louis Drive. Park on either end. Montgomery County at Abington Hospital on Rt. 611 in both directions.

Don't be a missing link. Participants will be given signs to hold with prayers to be said silently printed on the back.

**CCD School of Religion**

Please call 215-672-9990 or 215-672-3020 for information.



**Registration**



To register for the 2017-2018 CCD School Year, you must be registered in the parish before signing your child up for CCD and you must hand in a copy of your child's baptismal certificate if your child is new to the program. Payment is due at the time of registration. Classes are filled on a first-come, first-served basis!



**Fees for CCD Registration:**

Fees: 1 Child \$130, 2 Children \$260, 3 (or more) \$390

Class times: Tuesdays, 4:30- 5:50 p.m. and 6:15- 7:35 p.m.

**September 2017**

Tues., Sept. 26: Grades 1-6 and Sacrament Class in session.

**October 2017**

Sun., Oct. 1: Blessing of Candidates for Confirmation will be held during the 11:30 a.m. Mass. All Children receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation must attend.

Tues., Oct. 3: Grades 1-6 and Sacrament Class in session.

First night of classes for Junior/Senior High School.

Tues., Oct. 10: Grades 1-6 and Sacrament Class in session.

Tues., Oct. 17: 40 Hour Devotion closing service, 7:00 p.m. in Church. There will be no regularly scheduled CCD Classes. All CCD children are requested to attend Mass instead.

**High School Information**

**Gwynedd Mercy Academy High School Open House**



Sun., Oct. 8<sup>th</sup> from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. All girls in grades 6 through 8 and their families are invited to attend our Open House event. Tour the campus, explore collaborative learning environments, interact with students and faculty, and learn more about the Admissions process.

Entrance and Scholarship Test is being held on Sat., Oct. 21<sup>st</sup> from 9 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. or Sun., Oct. 22<sup>nd</sup> (same time).

Register at [gmahs.org/admissions](http://gmahs.org/admissions).

**LaSalle College High School Open House**



Sun., Oct. 1<sup>st</sup> from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Prospective students and their parents are invited to tour the school and 84-acre campus.

Scholarship and Entrance Exam for 8<sup>th</sup> grade boys will be held at the school on Sat., Oct. 28<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 a.m.

Please contact the admissions office at 215-402-4800 or [admissions@lschs.org](mailto:admissions@lschs.org) for more information.

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The faculty, staff, and students value "spreading the word" to the community related to their many service, academic achievements, and school events. Please take a minute to **Like and Follow us on Facebook:** St. Joseph/St. Robert Catholic School and **Tweet with Us:** <https://twitter.com/SjrSchool>. You can also access the school FB and Tweeter pages from our SJR website.



Kathy Williamson, Director of Advancement, is available to answer school questions and schedule tours. Please call 215-343-5100, ext. 209 or email at [kwilliamson@stjstr.org](mailto:kwilliamson@stjstr.org).

**Rosary Rally**



All are invited to join us on the corner of 611 and County Line Rd for a Rosary Rally on Sat., Oct. 14<sup>th</sup> at 12:00. This public square rosary sponsored by "America Needs Fatima", will be one of over 20,000 rallies across the U.S. Please join us in offering reparation for sins and offenses committed against the Immaculate Heart of Mary and to fervently pray for the conversion of the U.S. Bring your own lawn chair. Thank you!

**CPR Classes**



St. Joseph Church Health and Help Ministry presents **Friends and Family CPR**. The Family & Friends CPR Course teaches the lifesaving skills of adult CPR, child CPR with breaths, adult and child AED use, infant CPR and relief of choking in an adult, child or infant. Wed., Oct. 4<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. in the Church Hall. \$10/person. *Does not include certification card.*

**Or Heartsaver Course**

Heartsaver courses are designed for anyone with little or no medical training who needs a course completion card for a job. Sat., Sept. 30<sup>th</sup> at 9 a.m. in the Church Hall. \$30/person. *Certification card included.*

Any questions or to sign up call: Jim's CPR and First Aid 267-221-0088.